Dear Senator Murphy,

My name is Phyllis Lodato-Suppa. I am a resident of Stamford, and I am reaching out to encourage you to cosponsor **Connecticut SB-4**, *AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONNECTICUT CLEAN AIR ACT- To reduce carbon emissions by expanding public and private utilization of electric vehicles in Connecticut to protect human health and the environment.*

I am writing in support of proposed change to the <u>Connecticut Hydrogen and Electric Automobile Rebate</u> (CHEAPR) program which currently excludes electric bicycles from eligibility for rebates. <u>We are asking for several amendments to the SB-4 bill language</u>- the first is to increase the proposed cap on eligible bicycles from \$2,000 to *at least* \$3,000 to be able to include more of the car replacing electric cargo bikes and the inventory typically sold by local bike shops. The second is to add two seats to the advisory committee - one for a bicycle organization or bicycle shops representative and for the PURA chair. We would like to see the amount of the rebate increased for <u>EI communities</u> and LMI individuals from \$500 to *at least* \$1,000. Finally, we would also like the definition of EJ communities to be tied to census tract.

I strongly support SB4 and urge you to cosponsor this important piece of legislation. If you're still unsure, I would welcome the opportunity to hear your concerns or recommendations to improve this legislation.

Sincerely, Phyllis Lodato-Suppa 262 Four Brooks Road Stamford, CT 06903